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Remarks

Claims 1-26 were pending in the application. Claims 6, 16, and 23-26 are canceled hereby. Therefore, claims 1-5, 7-15, and 17-22 remain pending in the application.

The Office Action indicated that claims 6-18 and 16-18 contained allowable subject matter.

Independent claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of previous claim 6, in accordance with the Examiner's indication that former claim 6 contained allowable subject matter. Independent claim 9 has been similarly amended to include the limitations of former claim 6.

Independent Claim 11 has been amended to include all of the limitations of previous claim 16, in accordance with the Examiner's indication that former claim 16 contained allowable subject matter. Independent claim 20 has been similarly amended to include the limitations of former claim 16.

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Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the Office Action's rejections have been overcome and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

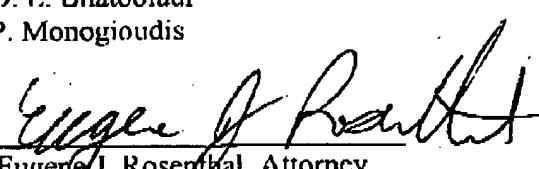
If, however, the Examiner still believes that there are unresolved issues, he is invited to call applicant's attorney so that arrangements may be made to discuss and resolve any such issues.

In the event that an extension of time is required for this amendment to be considered timely, and a petition therefor does not otherwise accompany this amendment, any necessary extension of time is hereby petitioned for, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge the appropriate cost of such petition to the **Lucent Technologies Deposit Account No. 12-2325**.

Respectfully,

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